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SUBJECT: WFP/IGC 27TH SESSION MARCH 17-25, 1975

- 1. MARCH 19 SESSION DEVOTED TO AGENDA ITEMS 12 (EVALUATION AND 7. DISCUSSION ITEM 12 SUMMARIZED BELOW. ITEM 7 TO BE REPORTED SEPTEL.
- 2. EVALUATION RECEIVED THOROUGH TREATMENT WITH NEARLY ALL DELEGATIONS SPEAKING AT FULL MORNING SESSION, LEAVING INADEQUATE TIME FOR AS MUCH PARTICIHATION AS MIGHT BE DESIRED FROM PANEL OF "EVALUATORS" FROM OTHER UN AGENCIES WHO WORK WITH WFP. DOCUMENTATION GIVEN VERY HIGH MARKS.
- 3. U.S. STATEMENT EMPHASIZED EVALUATION AS PART OF TOTAL PROCESS IMPROVED PROJECT DESIGN AND OPERATION, THEREFORE NEED FOR FAST FEEDBACK, EARLIEST REMEDIAL ACTION AND PARTICIPATION OF RECIPIENT GOVERNMENTS. MOST DELEGATIONS TOOK ROUGHLY SAME LINE I.E. PRACTICAL VALUE RATHER THAN SCIENTIFIC EXERCISE. SEVERAL INCLUDING U.S. INDICATED SYMPATHETIC ATTITUDE TOWARD FINANCING ADDITIONAL STAFF REQUIREMENTS FOR EVALUATION. CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION DESIRABILITY SOME SELECTED STUDIES "IN DEPTH", INCLUDING MULTI-COUNTRY EVALUATION OF SIMILAR ACTIVITIES, EVEN IF MEANS PART OF PRESENT EVALUATION SCHEDULE. EXAMINATION OF UNCLASSIFIED

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IMPACT ON LOCAL FOOD PRODUCTION AND UTILIZATION LOCAL (NATIONAL)

EVALUATION INSTITUTIONS GIVEN BROAD SUPPORT. SEPARATE PAPER AND DISCUSSION AT NEXT SESSION, WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON QUESTION WHETHER EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE SHOULD BE EVALUATED, PROPOSED AND ACCEPTED. VOLPE

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